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In re Application of:  
Beutler, et al.

Serial No.: 09/396,985

Filed: September 15, 1999

For: LPS-RESPONSE GENE COMPOSITIONS  
AND METHODS

Group Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: Basi, N. S.

Atty. Dkt. No.: UTSD:602/WIM

**I. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME; II. AMENDMENT;  
and III. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 1, 2000**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit a Petition for Extension of Time, an Amendment, and a Response to the Final Official Action mailed August 1, 2000 (the "Action"). A response to the Action is due on February 1, 2001, by virtue of the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time and payment of the appropriate fees.

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Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

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